

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to comply with Rule 77. Also enclosed is a Replacement Abstract on a separate sheet of paper as required by M.P.E.P. §608.01(b).

Claim 1 has been amended to place it in proper method format and to include the subject matter of claim 3 and claim 3 has been cancelled. In addition, claim 2 has been amended to reflect the amendment of claim 1 and claims 4-7 have been amended to eliminate improper multiple dependency. Finally, non-elected claim 8 has been cancelled to advance the prosecution of this application.

Since the Examiner indicated claim 3 contained allowable subject matter, it is believed claim 1 and claims 2 and 4-7 dependent therefrom are in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and reexamination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment: Replacement Abstract

ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to a A process for early detection of reactor fouling occurring during a gas phase polymerisation of olefin(s) using a fluidized bed reactor comprising having a fluidization grid fitted with detection devices.